

**Island County Board of Health
Regular Meeting - Monday, May 18, 2009
Minutes**

Members Present: Commissioners: John Dean, Helen Price Johnson and Angie Homola; Anne Tarrant, Whidbey General Hospital Commissioner; Roger S. Case, MD, Executive Secretary to the Board; and, Captain James Thralls, MSC, U.S. Navy, Ex-Officio Member.

Members Absent: Jim Slowik, Mayor of Oak Harbor.

Call to Order: The Chair, Jim Slowik, asked Commissioner Helen Price Johnson to act as Chair in his absence and the Board concurred. Commissioner Helen Price Johnson called this Regular Meeting of the Island County Board of Health to order at 1:15 p.m.

Additions or Changes to the Agenda: Keith Higman, Health Services Director, advised the Board that the Children's Commission would be represented today by Cynthia Shelton, not Janice O'Mahony, as noted on the agenda.

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Price Johnson called for the approval of the minutes for the April 20, 2009 Regular Meeting and the May 5, 2009 Special Meeting of the Board of Health. Commissioner Homola made a motion to approve the minutes of April 20, 2009 Regular Meeting as submitted. Anne Tarrant seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Dean made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2009 Special Meeting as approved. Commissioner Homola seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Advisory Board and Community Agency Reports:

- Stanwood-Island County Public Health & Safety Network: Patti Carroll, Network Executive Director, presented the Board with information on the Foster Care system in Island County. There are currently 49 foster homes in Island County, 2 of which are therapeutic homes for which the children need trained care or supervision. All of the homes are filled at this time. Ms. Carroll detailed what the Network does for foster children in Island County with 84 children being served, 16 children "in" foster homes and 68 children "out" of homes.

- Community Health Advisory Board (CHAB): Patricia Terry, as noted in the agenda, was unable to attend and Dave Macys represented CHAB. Mr. Macys reviewed the current work on CHAB's priority issues of Chronic Disease & Physical Activity, Communicable Disease and Community Health Key Indicators and updated the Board on CHAB's many public awareness, education and outreach efforts.

- Children's Commission: Cynthia Shelton updated the Board on the current subcommittee work of the Children's Commission: Partners for Young Children, School-age Advocacy and Awareness, and Secondary Youth Issues. This year's Children's Day will be held on September 26. She also advised that the recently held Youth Summit had been a big success.

- Opportunity Council: Lisa Clark, Director, gave an overview of what the Council does since she was addressing several of the Board of Health members for the first time. She discussed their programs that serve homeless and low-income families and individuals addressing immediate and crisis-oriented needs. She reported on their emergency housing/shelter program, their homeless prevention/rental assistance program and the energy assistance program.

Presentation: Health Youth Survey 2008 – What Do We Know About Our Youth?

Keith Higman introduced Carrie McLachlan, Health Department Assessment & Healthy Communities, to the Board. Ms. McLachlan began her presentation explaining where the survey data comes from and how Island County students participate in the survey. She reviewed the Island County survey data for substance abuse, physical health, obesity and overweight, communicable disease concerns, family health living issues, and mental health and physical abuse issues. She discussed using the data to shape policy and practice and the importance of looking at trends in local, state, and national data to address issues locally.

Contracts:

Keith Higman presented the following contracts for consideration:

1. Department of Health – Consolidated Contract
Contract No. C14949, Amendment No. 15
Contract Amount: \$ 2,285,801
Amendment Amount: \$ 10,881
2. Department of Ecology – Site Hazard Assessment
Contract No. G0800524, Amendment No. 1
Contract Amount: \$ 103,000
Amendment Amount: \$ -0-
3. Christopher Spitters MD – Medical Service Consultation
Contract No. HD-07-09
Contract Amount: \$ 10,000
4. Point of Dispensing (POD) Pharmacy Agreement – Phibbs Camano Pharmacy,
Dba Mark's Camano Pharmacy
Contract No. HD-08-09
Contract Amount: \$ -0-

Commissioner Dean moved for approval of all four of the contracts as presented. Commissioner Homola seconded and the Board approved the motion unanimously.

Health Department Report: Keith Higman introduced Whitney Webber, Health Department staff, who invited the Board to join staff and community partners meeting to work in the "Achieve" Grant Program on Friday, 5/22 at 10:00 a.m. Katie Hicks, Health Department Communicable Disease Coordinator, updated the Board on the H1N1 flu outbreak. Internationally, 40 countries are affected. As of 5/18/09, the United States had 5,123 cases with 5 deaths occurring, Washington State had 361 cases with 5 deaths, and Island County had 1 case. She advised the Board on how the Health Department is communicating with health care partners and with schools.

Public Input or Comments: There were no requests for public input or comment.

Adjourn: There being no further business for the Board, Commissioner Price Johnson adjourned the meeting at 3:03 p.m. The next Board of Health will be at Regular Meeting on Monday, June 15, 2009.

Submitted: _____
Roger S. Case, MD, Executive Secretary to the Board

Minutes approved this 15th day of June 2009
ISLAND COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Jim Slowik, Chair